

# CHARITON COURIER.

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### Border County Notes

#### CARROLL.

Mrs. John Collier died of consumption at her home in Carrollton.

Mrs. Mary L. Wright, of Rock Ford township, died on the 13th inst., aged 76 years.

R. P. Queen has been nominated on the Democratic ticket for Mayor of Carrollton to fill the unexpired term of L. A. Holliday, resigned.

Jack Payne, of Norborne, shot at a party of serenaders a few nights ago for disturbing his slumbers. Sleep was perhaps sweeter than music to Mr. Payne.

A little son of Wm. Strubbling, of Norborne, is now minus the first joint of one of his forefingers. The youthful owner of the finger got on too intimate terms with a cigar clipper.

D. L. Grace has been sentenced to six days in the Carroll county jail by Justice Buchanan, of Carrollton, for stealing a set of harness from Ed Piny, of Bosworth. Grace claims to hail from Iowa.

Duncan Brothers and Harry Pickart are making arrangements to dig up the machinery of an old steamboat that was sunk in the river opposite DeWitt some time during the late war. Where the boat went down a sand bar has formed and only about four feet of sand covers the machinery, which has been located, so says the DeWitt Herald.

The 3-year-old daughter of Thos. Price, of Sugartree, had her mouth, tongue and throat severely burned on Wednesday of last week by some concentrated lye. Mrs. Price had been using the lye, and the little girl seeing it, grabbed some of it and commenced to eat it. She swallowed but little, however, and no serious results are anticipated.

County Recorder Blakely, of Carrollton, received a letter a few days ago from his son, Charlie, whom he had not heard from for three years and long since believed him to be dead. Charlie had been in Alaska in quest of gold, and had recently returned to California. Young Blakely is a nephew of Mrs. Geo. R. Stuart, formerly of Keytesville, but now of Chicago.

Frank Pitker, alias Frank Harris, alias Frank Stoue, who is now serving a sentence in the Canon City, Colo., penitentiary for robbing a passenger on a railroad train of his watch and money, is the same crook who saved his way out of the Carroll county jail in November, 1895. Pitker had been indicted in Carroll county for robbing a passenger on a Wabash train, but made his escape before he was tried. He will be brought back to that county when his term expires in the Canon City penitentiary, which will be on the 23rd of next October.

A. W. McQueen, formerly of Carrollton, is a fugitive from justice over having embezzled \$1,080 from the Hollenberg Music Co., of Little Rock, Ark. He was indicted in Bowie county, Tex., on the charge of embezzlement, and was being taken to that county for trial, but made his escape from the detective who had him in custody. McQueen was well known in Keytesville eight or ten years ago, having frequently made this point as an agent for pianos and organs. About a year ago a Camden married woman, who claimed that McQueen had insulted her, shot at him five times.

The three prisoners who are in jail at Carrollton awaiting trial for burglarizing Luther & Howley's tailor shop at that place, would have made their escape one night last week had it not been for a timely discovery made by O. A. Cruzen, who heard the prisoners at work and woke up Deputy Sheriff Chas. Jacobs. By removing a bolt from a bar to one of their cells the door would not fasten; this gave one of the prisoners access to the corridor. This prisoner opened the cell doors of his two partners in crime, and then by means of a key which they

made of wood and tin, the inner door to the corridor was opened, thus enabling the prisoners to climb up on top of their cages where they were engaged in cutting a hole through the wall when Mr. Cruzen heard them.

#### MARRIAGES.

George Walden, of Miami station, and Miss Mattie Hill, of Hale.

O. A. Cruzen and Miss Pearl Mirick, both of Carrollton.

#### HOWARD.

Glasgow has decided to increase the membership of her fire department. Probably getting ready for the festive Christmas fire-cracker.

Mrs. Bettie McIntosh, of near New Franklin, died in St. Louis a week ago last Sunday from the effects of an operation performed in removing a tumor.

Rev. H. C. Barton, a former pastor of the Keytesville Baptist church, has been called to administer to the spiritual being of the Baptist flock at New Franklin.

The Leader speaks of the arrival of a new girl baby in Fayette as "a pretty little treasure of femininity." Of course this pleased the baby's mother and made the baby smile.

Mrs. Patrick Wilkerson, of near Fayette, formerly Mrs. Ely Wheeler, of Keytesville, captured one of the premiums on her Minorcas chickens at the recent poultry show at Columbia.

A new house, belonging to Paul Barton at New Franklin, was set on fire by a stove that was being used to dry the plastering and was entirely consumed. The property was insured for \$500.

Rev. T. E. Sharp, pastor of the M. E. church, South, at Fayette, announces that "Mack," his 4-month-old Maltese kitten, has been lost, strayed or stolen, and says that there will be great rejoicing in his household "when the cat comes back."

The latest reports we have from the Baptist and Christian church revival meetings at Fayette are to the effect that there had been 30 additions to the Baptist and 44 accessions to the Christian church. The preaching is being done by Rev. Manaway and Elder Winders, respectively.

Edgar McBee, a young man living near White's store, was recently held up at the point of a shot-gun in the hands of an unknown negro and robbed of a similar weapon, which young McBee was carrying while riding along the road. The highwayman made his escape, leaving no clue to his identity.

#### MARRIAGES.

Frank M. Scott, of Hannibal, and Miss Sallie McClammer, of Fayette.

Eugene Morehead, formerly of Glasgow, but now of St. Louis, and Miss Mertie Cox, of St. Louis.

#### LINN.

Mrs. Matthew Pender, of Purdin, is dead. She was formerly Miss Elizabeth Woodside.

Brookfield's firemen have invested in new suits, consisting of firemen's hats, gum coats and boots.

A Mrs. Reed died at the home of D. D. Decker in Brookfield on Wednesday, Dec. 16th, aged 89 years.

There had been 18 conversions at the protracted meeting at the M. E. church in Brookfield up to last Friday night.

The Marceline Journal sets its foot of condemnation down on the parties who steal every loose plank from the sidewalks in that city.

The second game of foot-ball, played between the town athletes and the Brookfield college eleven, was won by the former by a score of 16 to 0.

The revival meeting at the M. E. church in Marceline bore fruit for the Master to the number of 58 conversions and 59 accessions to the church.

Allen Taylor, col., aged 46 years died of apoplexy at Brookfield on Dec. 15th. The deceased was a cook on the H. & St. Jo pile driver for a long time.

I. Kinnear, of Marceline, had the misfortune to lose his dwelling house and a part of its contents by fire the first of last week. The origin of the blaze is a mystery. No insurance.

E. J. Conger, of the Linneus Bulletin, and J. W. Jones, of the Brookfield

Gazette, have been appointed by Henry W. Ewing, president of the Missouri Press association, as delegates to the National Editorial association, which meets at Galveston, Tex., in February, 1897.

Two of Marceline's business men were arraigned in the police court last week and fined for doing business without a license. The Journal says that several others are waiting to go through the same mill. Have some of your city's "business men" been playing poker "without a license," brother Dodge?

Thos. O'Neill, of St. Catherine, probably has more occupations than any other man in Missouri. He is freight agent, ticket agent, operator, baggage master, postmaster, insurance agent, town treasurer, member of city council, school director, district clerk, newspaper agent, real estate agent, collector, statistical reporter and professor of telegraphy. Besides all of these, Mr. O'Neill is also a son-in-law to his mother-in-law, or ought to be if he isn't.

#### MARRIAGES.

J. A. Robinson and Miss Mary Long, both of Marceline.

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J. W. Lowther, of Hybrid, and Miss Emma M. Joyce, of Brookfield.

#### LIVINGSTON.

Elder Ellett has resigned the pastorate of the Christian church at Wheeling.

H. K. Pearl, an old resident of Livingston county living near Hamilton, is dead. Mr. Pearl was 86 years old.

Thieves who steal wood, and also clothes from clothes lines, are making life miserable for residents of the First ward at Chillicothe.

Frank Anderson, of Jackson township, a son of ex-Representative James F. Anderson, of Livingston county, is said to have absconded on account of a complicated state of affairs with a young lady.

Jesse Reed and Theo. Sinnard got into a drunken brawl, near Jintown, and Reed now has a sore head, Sinnard having cut his inebrious companion on the cranium with a pocket-knife. No arrests reported.

George Clark was fined \$25 and decorations in the Chillicothe police court for striking Jimmie McCracken, a mere boy, over the head with a billiard cue in Powell's billiard hall.

Had Jimmie been at home in bed, he would not have had a battered head. No trouble would have befallen Clark had he not been on a drunken lark.

Livingston county has a man by the name of C. E. Demitt, confined within the walls of her county jail, who sold his wife for \$15, and is also charged with attempting to pass a counterfeit bill. The federal authorities are after his scalp for the latter offense. It is not stated whether "the counterfeit bill" was received in part payment for his wife, but nobody seems to object to his having sold his life-partner.

William Bowen, a 15-year-old boy, of Highview, was fined \$5 and costs in the police court at Chillicothe for being drunk. He didn't have the necessary amount of cash to pay his fine and was put to work on the rock pile, but made his escape. The court and marshal made a determined effort to make the youthful bachelorette where he got his whisky, but he emphatically declined to do so.

Bold, bad bank robbers were at Lock Springs a few nights since. After gaining access to the bank, they broke open the door of the vault and then drilled a hole into the safe door, near the lock, but there were no evidences of their having used an explosive. It is supposed they were frightened away before accomplishing their purpose, as their tools were left scattered promiscuously about the floor.

None of the residents of Lock Springs knew of the attempted robbery until the next morning. Two tramps, who broke into a blacksmith shop at Carroll a short time previous, are suspected of the crime, also of having stolen \$1.75 from the money drawer of the bank at Chula last week.

#### MARRIAGES.

Miller S. Sweeney and Miss Myrtle S. McGill, both of Avalon.

Jesse J. Dorell and Miss Ella Austin, both of Jackson township.

W. A. Cox and Miss Mary Kennedy, both of near Chillicothe.

#### MACON.

The infant daughter of Rod Wilsie, of near Callao, died on Dec. 11th.

Jas. Griffin sold his farm of 78 acres, near Callao, to Jos. Scooby for \$2,850.

Mrs. Lottie Reed-Brammer, aged 50 years, died in Callao Dec. 16th, after a lingering illness.

Owing to the number of burglaries recently committed in Callao, her citizens are striving to secure a night watchman.

Belsher & Mathis' store at Callao was robbed on the night of Dec. 14th of a lot of jewelry, hats and shoes by unknown parties.

Elder McCully, of Canton, has been called to the pastorate of the Christian church at Callao, and will enter upon his duties the fourth Sunday in January.

Richard Reynolds and Raz Gilbert pleaded guilty to burglary in the Macon county circuit court last week and were sentenced to the penitentiary for five years.

The Ministers' alliance of Macon has announced a series of meetings to be held in the First Presbyterian, M. E., South, First M. E. and Cumberland Presbyterian churches. The first Sunday in January is the date of commencing.

A couple of negroes, named Moore and Lewis, got into a difficulty on the streets of Macon on the night of Dec. 15th, and Moore cut Lewis' throat with a razor, making quite a wound. The assailant is in jail awaiting action of the grand jury.

Robt. C. Armstrong died in his 85th year at his home, one mile south of Atlanta, on Dec. 14th. He was a native of Kentucky but moved to the Macon county farm, on which he died, in 1838. The deceased leaves a wife, two sons and one daughter.

Frank Scott, residing near Redman, was in Macon on the 14th with a damaged hand, received from a knife in the hands of an unknown man. The stranger demanded Mr. Scott's wealth, and not receiving it, slashed him with a knife and rode off. This occurred in broad daylight and in a thickly settled neighborhood.

Wilmot Polson sued the Wabash Railway company for \$6,000 at the present term of the Macon circuit court for being forcibly and wrongfully ejected by a negro porter from a Pullman palace car on a night train while en route from Moberly to Macon on the 27th of August, 1895. A verdict was rendered for the company.

Wm. Malloy, of Ethel, aged 70 years, is under a \$300 bond to appear before Justice John King on Monday, Dec. 28th, to answer to the charge of having carnal knowledge of his 17-year-old step-daughter, Elsie Michael. The girl gave birth to a baby recently, and alleges that her stepfather is its sire. Malloy stoutly denies his guilt of the crime, and says that he will have no trouble in establishing his innocence when his trial takes place.

A jail breaking was frustrated on the night of Dec. 15th by the watchfulness of Sheriff Asbury, of Macon. Becoming suspicious, he closely examined the interior of the jail and found four large iron bars on an east window had been sawed through, after having first been drilled. He also found some fine steel saws, but the drill could not be located. R. C. Bradford, Richard Reynolds, Ray Gilbert, Sealous Grugin and John W. Gee, inmates, are supposed to be the perpetrators.

As a sequel to a fracas at a respectable resort at Beaver, Sherman Morandy was shot in the side and Wm. Lee was shot in the arm by E. G. Henry, the high cockadorum of the house. Henry and his two feminine satellites, Misses Jennie Smith and Mattie Henry, were arrested. The two soiled doves pleaded guilty to keeping a house of ill-repute and were sentenced to the county jail for 30 days by Justice Ames. Henry has been indicted by the grand jury for assault with intent to kill and keeping a disorderly house, to which he entered a plea of not guilty. We have not learned the result of his trial.

Rev. Z. S. Weller, an old gentleman of Macon who has become decrepit, has been having a negro boy, "Sonney" Eabaer, run errands for him.

Last week "Sonney" found an evil companion, an 18-year-old negro named Davenport, who opened two of Mr. Weller's letters, one of which contained a check for \$25 and the other a check for \$6. The dusky duo then persuaded a little 10-year-old girl by the name of Duey to take the \$25 check to the Exchange bank of Macon to get it cashed, which she succeeded in doing, the cashier noticing that it was properly endorsed by the sender, C. A. Weller, of Omaha, Neb. Two hours afterward the little girl went to the bank to get the \$6 check cashed, when the cashier became suspicious and an investigation followed. As a result, Davenport is now in jail to await trial in the United States court at Hannibal for opening mail that did not belong to him. Owing to his age, the banner boy will not be prosecuted, while the little girl was innocent of any crime.

#### MARRIAGES.

At Callao, Dec. 15th, J. W. Brammer and Mrs. Hattie Burris.

In Macon, Dec. 16th, Thomas H. Crampton and Miss M. P. Joralemon, both of Brookfield.

In College Mound, Dec. 13th, Fred Spriestersbach, of Macon, and Miss Laura Belle Beeson.

In Macon, Dec. 16th, Louis Stephens, of Duncan's Ridge, Monroe county, and Miss Ollie Garrison, of Shelby county.

#### RANDOLPH.

Mrs. Nannie Neal died of consumption at her home in Moberly the first of last week, aged 52 years.

Moberly is waging a commendable warfare on her defective sidewalks and is having them utterly demolished.

Twenty-six new members were added to the membership of the Moberly East Side Christian church as a result of the protracted meeting conducted by Elder Henson.

S. S. Haines, a Wabash freight brakeman, is laid off for repairs, having mashed two or three of his fingers on Wednesday of last week while making a coupling at Huntville.

A bald-headed Moberly barber has discovered a remedy for "falling out hair." If he could extend his "discovery" so that he could make hair grow on bald heads and fall out of butter, his fortune would be assured.

Joe McIntyre, a barber, and Jim Allen, a tailor, are serving a sentence of 10 and 15 days, respectively, in the Randolph county jail for stealing a chair and a pair of shears from Jacob Sealer, a tailor doing business in Moberly.

"Buck" Baker, of Moberly, an attendant of the Wabash shops, is reported to be dangerously ill of a dropsical affection. Young Baker is a son of Rev. T. W. Baker, pastor at Bethany, the C. P. church, four miles north of Keytesville.

Wm. Cameron and Morey Robinson are "doing time" in the Randolph county jail for sending obscene literature through the mails. They were sent up from the United States court at Hannibal for 60 days, each, Robinson being given an additional furl of a \$25 fine. They pleaded guilty to the charge against them.

Mrs. M. B. Neilson, of Moberly, had an exciting experience with a burglar one night last week. The nocturnal prowler entered the residence by way of the window route, but as he crawled through he made a slight noise, which roused Mrs. Neilson, who asked who was there. She did not receive a reply, so she grabbed the fellow's overcoat and called for help, but before any one came to her assistance the unwelcome visitor broke away and escaped through the window. No clue as to his identity except a piece of a cane with which he propped open the window, and as Mrs. Neilson has no use for the cane, the fellow can have it by calling and identifying it.

#### MARRIAGES.

Otto E. Goebel, of Mascot, Ill., and Miss Ellesa Eichenauer, of Moberly.

Prof. Chas. N. McClelland and Miss Iva Lee Cottingham, both of Renick. The bridegroom is principal of the Renick public school.

Elmer Turrer and Miss Dora Haynes, both of near Moberly. The marriage ceremony was performed by

the bride's grandfather, Rev. Levi Haynes, who will be 90 years of age the 2nd of January. Another notable feature of the Turner-Haynes nuptials was that their matrimonial bark was launched on the day that recorded the 67th marriage anniversary of the venerable officiating minister.

#### SALINE.

J. B. Redman, of Marshall, aged 86 years, died on Thursday, Dec. 17th.

George Gaines, of Sweet Springs, has been adjudged insane and will be sent to the asylum for treatment.

Harrison Pate, of Marshall, was shooting at a cat with a 22-caliber revolver and now has a whole in one of his hands. The cat is still able to "come back."

Mrs. Hiram Shanton, a native of Virginia, and whose maiden name was Mary J. Lee, died at Marshall on the 12th inst., aged 71 years. An aged husband and five daughters mourn her death.

Robt. L. Shipp, the genial agent at Miami station, was in town yesterday shaking hands with friends, having just returned from an outing of two weeks. He is looking fine and is completely recuperated from his recent illness, so says the Miami News.

The Methodist protracted meeting at Miami was successful to the extent of "reviving" the church membership and inducing several sinners to flee from the wrath to come, five of whom united with the Methodist and three with the Baptist church.

Mrs. Rebecca Lewis, relict of Thelbert Lewis, died at her home in Marshall on the 16th inst., aged 73 years. Her remains were taken to Miami and laid to rest by the side of her husband, who died 40 years ago. Three daughters and two sons survive her.

Mrs. Frank Coleman, of Malta Bend, had her pocket-book, containing about \$10, stolen from her buggy seat at Marshall last week. The lady laid the purse down while getting out of the buggy and failed to pick it up. She missed it and soon returned, but it was not seen.

George Gerew, the 17-year-old son of a C. & A. engineer living at Slater, met a tragic and untimely end while out hunting last week. In trying to punch a rabbit out of a brush pile with his gun the weapon was discharged, the contents taking effect in the boy's stomach, producing a wound from which he died a few hours afterward.

The friends of Abiel Leonard, a prominent Populist of Saline county, are pushing him for the appointment of coal oil inspector of St. Louis as a fitting recognition of the services rendered the Democratic party by the Populists in this state during the recent campaign. The place to which Mr. Leonard's friends aspire is a luscious one, as the position pays, in fees, about \$15,000 a year.

J. A. Halley, of Elmwood, is anxious to learn something of the whereabouts of a man who left his house on the 15th inst. and took several articles of value with him. The thief is described as being a man about 5 feet 10 inches, broad-shoulders, slightly bow-legged, small black eyes, very large Roman nose, age 35, light hair, short mustache, Swede brogue, weight about 170 pounds. The stolen wares consisted of a valise, clothing and jewelry, among which was a lady's old-fashioned gold watch and a gent's silver watch.

#### MARRIAGES.

W. B. McFarland, of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, and Miss Lucy Cheatham, of Gilliam.

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